

HOUSE BILL No. 1599

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 8-14-2-4; IC 8-14-2-4.5.

Synopsis: Highway funding. Changes the basis upon which the auditor of state distributes money from the local road and street account among the counties from a distribution based only on passenger car registrations to a distribution based on passenger car and pickup truck registrations. Phases in the change over a five year period beginning July 1, 1999. Provides that if, because of the addition of pickup trucks to the local road and street account distribution formula, a county, city, or town receives a smaller distribution from the account or receives a smaller distribution of certain other taxes that are allocated in the same proportion as distributions from the account, the county, city, or town is entitled to an additional state distribution equal to half of the difference.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities and transportation and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 8-14-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 4. (a) The auditor of state shall
3 establish a special account to be called the "local road and street
4 account" and credit this account monthly with forty-five percent (45%)
5 of the money deposited in the highway road and street fund.
6 (b) The auditor **of state** shall distribute to units of local government
7 money from this account each month.
8 (c) The auditor of state shall allocate to each county the money in
9 this account on the basis of the ratio of each county's passenger car **and**
10 **pickup truck** registrations to the total passenger car **and pickup truck**
11 registrations of the state. **For purposes of this allocation, a pickup**
12 **truck is a truck that is registered under IC 9-18-2-8 as a truck with**
13 **a declared gross weight of not more than eleven thousand (11,000)**
14 **pounds.** The auditor **of state** shall further determine the suballocation
15 between the county and the cities within the county as follows:
16 (1) In counties having a population of more than fifty thousand
17 (50,000), sixty percent (60%) of the money shall be distributed on



the basis of the population of the city or town as a percentage of the total population of the county and forty percent (40%) distributed on the basis of the ratio of city and town street mileage to county road mileage.

(2) In counties having a population of fifty thousand (50,000) or less, twenty percent (20%) of the money shall be distributed on the basis of the population of the city or town as a percentage of the total population of the county and eighty percent (80%) distributed on the basis of the ratio of city and town street mileage to county road mileage.

(3) For the purposes of allocating funds as provided in this section, towns which become incorporated as a town between the effective dates of decennial censuses shall be eligible for allocations upon the effectiveness of a corrected population count for the town under IC 1-1-3.5.

(4) Money allocated under the provisions of this section to counties containing a consolidated city shall be credited or allocated to the department of transportation of the consolidated city.

(d) Each month the auditor of state shall inform the department of the amounts allocated to each unit of local government from the local road and street account.

SECTION 2. IC 8-14-2-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 4.5. (a) The auditor of state shall, before the end of each state fiscal year, transfer from the state general fund to the local road and street account the amount necessary to make the distributions required by subsection (b).**

(b) Each county, city, or town that receives a distribution under section 4 of this chapter for a year is entitled to receive an additional distribution from the local road and street account determined under STEP TWO of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the result of:

(A) the amount the county, city, or town would have received under IC 6-3.5-4-13(b), IC 6-3.5-5-15(b), IC 6-6-2.5-68(a)(1), and section 4 of this chapter for the year if the distribution formula used under section 4 of this chapter did not include pickup trucks; minus

(B) the amount the county, city, or town is entitled to receive under IC 6-3.5-4-13(b), IC 6-3.5-5-15(b), IC 6-6-2.5-68(a)(1), and section 4 of this chapter for the year.



1 **STEP TWO: If the STEP ONE result is positive, multiply the**
2 **STEP ONE result by five-tenths (0.5).**

3 (c) There is appropriated from the state general fund the
4 amount necessary to make the transfers and distributions under
5 this section.

6 SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) This SECTION
7 applies notwithstanding IC 8-14-2-4, as amended by this act.

8 (b) For purposes of making distributions under IC 8-14-2-4, the
9 following number of pickup truck registrations must be used in
10 calculating a county's share:

11 (1) For the period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30,
12 2000, twenty percent (20%) of the total number of pickup
13 truck registrations for a county must be used.

14 (2) For the period beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30,
15 2001, forty percent (40%) of the total number of pickup truck
16 registrations for a county must be used.

17 (3) For the period beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30,
18 2002, sixty percent (60%) of the total number of pickup truck
19 registrations for a county must be used.

20 (4) For the period beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30,
21 2003, eighty percent (80%) of the total number of pickup
22 truck registrations for a county must be used.

23 (5) After June 30, 2003, one hundred percent (100%) of the
24 total number of pickup truck registrations for a county must
25 be used.

26 (c) This SECTION expires June 30, 2004.

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